General Information & Participation

1. Does someone have to be an alumnus/alumna to purchase a package?

No! All alumni, family, friends, and supporters of the University of South Alabama and the Black Alumni Society are welcome to purchase a package and join in on all the weekend activities.

2. I went to South but didn't graduate. Can I participate?

Absolutely! Anyone who attended the University of South Alabama—regardless of graduation status—is considered part of the Jaguar family and is warmly invited to participate in the Black Alumni Weekend.

Packages & Registration

3. What are the different packages being sold and what do they include?

Two ticket packages are available for the weekend:

- **Game Day Package ($45):** Includes ticket to the USA vs. Troy Football Game and SouthSpot Tailgate
- **Basic Package ($65):** Includes entry to the Kickoff Mixer, NPHC Stepshow, SouthSpot Tailgate, and the USA vs. Troy Football Game.
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- **VIP Package ($85):** Includes entry to the Kickoff Mixer, NPHC Stepshow, SouthSpot Tailgate, USA vs. Troy Football Game, Last Call Day Party, plus an official Black Alumni Weekend Commemorative Button.
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- **À La Carte Option:** If you aren't purchasing a full package, an à la carte **Day Party ticket** is available on the package purchasing link for **$20**.

4. Where can I pick up tickets, wristbands, and packages?

Package credentials (wristbands, buttons, and ticket access) will be available at the following times and locations:

- **Thursday, Nov. 12th:** Kickoff Mixer (5:00 PM – 9:00 PM)
- **Friday, Nov. 13th:** USA Student Center from 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
- **Friday, Nov. 13th:** USA NPHC Stepshow (during the event; doors open at 6:30 PM) Full details and updates regarding pickup instructions will be emailed to all package purchasers prior to the event.

Weekend Events & Schedule

5. What events are occurring over the weekend?

The 2026 Black Alumni Weekend runs from Thursday, Nov. 12th through Sunday, Nov. 15th:

- **Thursday, Nov. 12th (5:00 PM – 9:00 PM):** Kickoff Mixer with Mobile Metro NPHC
- **Friday, Nov. 13th (Doors open @ 6:30 PM):** Pep Rally & Bonfire / USA NPHC Stepshow ("106 & South")
- **Saturday, Nov. 14th (Time TBD):** SouthSpot Tailgate & USA Jaguars vs. Troy Trojans Football Game
- **Sunday, Nov. 15th (2:00 PM – 6:00 PM):** Last Call Day Party with NJOY Social Group

6. What is the location for each of the events across the weekend?

- **Thursday Kickoff Mixer:** Kazoola Eatery and Entertainment (558 Dauphin St #2110, Mobile, AL 36602)
- **Friday Pep Rally, Bonfire & Stepshow:** The Mitchell center on USA Campus
- **Saturday SouthSpot Tailgate & Game:** Hancock Whitney Stadium / USA Campus Grounds
- **Sunday Last Call Day Party:** 1455 Monroe St, Mobile, AL 36604

Tailgating & Game Day

7. In both packages, it includes entry to the SouthSpot Tailgate. What is that and where is it?

The SouthSpot Tailgate is the ultimate game-day tailgate experience for Black Alumni Weekend on Saturday, Nov. 14th before and during the USA vs. Troy game.

- **What it includes:** Complimentary food and Coca-Cola products, live music, TVs, games, and close restroom access!
- **Location:** In the grass area directly outside the Southwest corner of Hancock Whitney Stadium, right between Gates 3 and 4.

- **Parking:** Parking for the USA vs. Troy game is managed through USA Athletics around Hancock Whitney Stadium and designated campus lots. You can check specific pass options and lot layouts via the USA Athletics Parking Guide (https://usajaguars.com/sports/2023/3/22/parking.aspx).
- **Child Policy:** Kids ages 2 and under do NOT need a ticket to enter the SouthSpot Tailgate area.

8. Will the BAS have its own tent? Where will it be located?

Yes! The BAS will host its own standalone **BAS Welcome Tent** on Saturday, Nov. 14th. The BAS Welcome Tent will be located in the Student/NPHC Tailgating Area, situated directly to the right of the SGA Pavilion when facing the main entrance of Hancock Whitney Stadium.

Logistics & Parking

9. Where should I go for parking throughout the weekend? What is the cost?

- **Football Game & On-Campus Events:** Parking for NPHC Step Show is free at the USA Mitchell Center- first come, first served. Parking for the USA vs. Troy game is managed through USA Athletics around Hancock Whitney Stadium and designated campus lots. You can check specific pass options and lot layouts via the USA Athletics Parking Guide (https://usajaguars.com/sports/2023/3/22/parking.aspx).
- **Off-Campus Events:** Parking availability and rates vary by individual event venue. (Specific venue lot details will be shared as off-campus locations are finalized.)

Staying Connected & Getting Involved

10. How do I get involved with the Black Alumni Society?

You can get involved with the BAS through the USA National Alumni Association. Options include joining the National Alumni Association, serving as a student mentor, or attending society events. For more information, visit southalabama.edu/departments/alumni/bas.html or contact us directly at usa.blackalum@gmail.com or (251) 460-7084.

11. How do I stay connected to the BAS online? What are the society's social media handles?

Stay updated on news, announcements, and photos by following the USA Black Alumni Society across official channels:

- **Website:** southalabama.edu/departments/alumni/bas.html
- **Email:** usa.blackalum@gmail.com
- **Social Media:** Search **@USABlackAlumni** / **USA Black Alumni Society** on Facebook and Instagram.